What Can I Do with My Degree In... Bachelor of Arts in Women's Studies?

SAINT VINCENT UNIVERSITY

Know What's Expected

Women's Studies majors are interested in society's growing awareness of gender and equity issues. If you major in Women's Studies, employers will expect that you have gained a broad theoretical framework and a set of highly developed analytical skills. French may also be an asset in some positions.

Transferable Skills

- Strong critical thinking skills
- Written and spoken communication skills
- Ability to work as a team
- Ability to think globally
- Expertise on gender issues
- Computer literacy

What Employers Want to See

Contributions you make to your community reflect well on you as an individual. Employers are looking for students who are dedicated, hard working, and show a commitment to their interests. By getting involved on-campus (for societies visit mountstudents.ca) or off-campus early in your degree, you will not only show credibility in your area of interest but also a willingness to work towards goals.

You can also build your Mount Co-Curricular Record (CCR) with these activities at msvu.ca/CCR and present this official document to future employers.

Necessary Employment Skills

- Continually updating specialized knowledge
- Researching and writing skills
- Interpersonal skills
- Learning Business Management

Where Can You Work?

A Women's Studies Major offers a broad background in the arts, history, humanities, sciences, and social sciences. Graduates from Women's Studies programs may find careers in in consulting firms, corporations, associations, government, social agencies, and other organizations.

A Women's Studies Degree is also a great stepping stone for further education. Visit the Bachelor of Arts—Women's Studies webpage for more information.

Possible Job Titles

- Clinical Social Worker
- Health Clinic Coordinator
- University Professor
- Human Rights Advocate
- Victim's Advocate
- Social Worker
- Rape crisis Program director
- Marriage Therapist
- Family Services Specialist
- Recreation Therapist

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Where Can I Volunteer?

Volunteering provides a great opportunity to get involved in your field of study and make some great connections. Here are a few options for you to consider:

- Elementary schools
- Local Non-Profit Organizations
- Universities
- Libraries
- Student Societies
- Students' Union

Potential Volunteer Organizations

- Adsum House for Women and Children
- Family SOS (Services of Support)
- IWK Health Centre

Visit msvu.ca/ccr for more local organizations.

Online Job Resources

Many organizations will promote their job opportunities online. Visit the job page at careerconnects.msvu.ca.

Professional Associations

Professional associations are a great way to network within your field of study. Not only do these organizations help get you connected, they also help keep you wellinformed. Many also have discounted student membership rates.

- Canadian Association of Social Workers
 www.casw-acts.ca
- Canadian Federation of University
 Women

www.fcfdu.org

 Canadian Mental Health Association— Nova Scotia Division

www.novascotia.cmha.ca

- National Council of Women of Canada
 www.ncwc.ca
- Nova Scotia Association of Social Workers

www.nsasw.org

MSVU Career Services

At the Mount, we offer a variety of career related services, workshops, resources and opportunities for students. Whether you need help making a career decision, are looking for a job, or are wondering what your can do with your degree, we can help you plan a realistic career path and perform a successful job search.

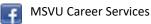
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